SEA/RC55/R3  MANAGEMENT OF DECENTRALIZATION OF HEALTH CARE

The Regional Committee,

Recalling its own resolutions SEA/RC41/R8 and SEA/RC53/R3 on the development of district health systems and equity in health and access to health care,

Recognizing the need to have effective management of decentralization of health care within the context of national health sector reforms and ensuring equity in access to health care, and

Having considered the report and recommendations of the Technical Discussions on "Management of decentralization of health care" (SEA/RC55/16),

1. ENDORSES the recommendations contained in the report;

2. URGES Member States to ensure equity in access and efficiency of quality health care while implementing national policies, strategies and plans for decentralization of health care and strengthening their district health systems, and

3. REQUESTS the Regional Director to share evidence-based information and country experiences on the process and products of management of decentralization of health care.

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